

## Message Text

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R 231727Z AUG 77  
FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1481  
INFO ALL EC CAPITALS  
AMEMBASSY PARIS  
USMISSION GENEVA

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USEEC

PASS AGRICULTURE ELECTRONICALLY  
PARIS ALSO FOR USOECD  
GENEVA ALSO FOR USMTN

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EAGR, EEC  
SUBJ: EC FRUIT PRODUCTION DOWN IN 1977

1. THE EC STATISTICAL OFFICE IN LUXEMBOURG PUBLISHED  
ITS MID-AUGUST ESTIMATE OF 1977 FRUIT PRODUCTION IN THE  
EC, AS FOLLOWS:

-- - 1977 RELATIVE TO  
AVG.72-76 1976 EST. 1977 AVG.72-76 1976  
- (METRIC TONS) (PERCENT)

APPLES	6,697	6,487	5,205	-22	-20
PEARS	2,562	2,678	2,010	-22	-25
PEACHES	1,710	1,932	1,556	-9	-19
APRICOTS	203	232	163	-20	-30
CHERRIES	541	543	399	-26	-26

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PLUMS	698	855	590	-15	-31
STRAWBERRIES	346	337	328	-5	-3

2. THE LUXEMBOURG STATISTICAL OFFICE SAID THAT IF THE  
ITALIAN FRUIT HARVEST PROVES TO BE AS LOW AS IT PRESENTLY  
APPEARS, TOTAL FRUIT PRODUCTION IN THE EC WILL ONLY BE  
ABOUT 15 MILLION TONS COMPARED TO 18.1 MILLION TONS IN

1976 AND AN AVERAGE 17.7 MILLION IN 1972-76. THIS WOULD  
BE THE LOWEST LEVEL OF FRUIT PRODUCTION SINCE 1962. THE  
PESSIMISM IS ACCOUNTED FOR BY EXTREMELY UNFAVORABLE  
GROWING CONDITIONS IN THE SPRING AND CARRY-OVER EFFECTS  
OF THE 1976 DROUGHT.

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